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BRATISLAVA ANTIWAR MEETING

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(TEXT) BRATISLAVA--A TOTAL OF 23 REPRESENTATIVES OF VARIOUS MASS ORGANIZATIONS OF THE DRV AND SOUTH VIETNAM MET HERE FROM 6 TO 12 SEPTEMBER 1967 WITH A LARGE GROUP OF U.S. CITIZENS WHO ARE ACTIVE IN ANTIWAR AND RADICAL MOVEMENTS. A PRESS RELEASE ISSUED HERE TODAY SAYS. THE MEETING WAS ARRANGED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE THREE GROUPS IN ORDER TO EXCHANGE VIEWS AND STANDPOINTS ON THE WAR IN VIETNAM AND TO INTENSIFY MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING.

THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH VIETNAM AND THE DRV REPORTED ON THE POLITICAL, MILITARY, AND ECONOMIC SITUATION IN THE RESPECTIVE PARTS OF THE COUNTRY, THE PRESS RELEASE ISSUED HERE TODAY STATES. THE STANDPOINT OF THE DRV AS WELL AS THE POLITICAL PROGRAM OF THE NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT OF 1 SEPTEMBER 1967, WHICH WERE DISCUSSED IN DETAIL, ARE EVIDENCE OF THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE'S CONFIDENCE IN THE FINAL VICTORY OF THEIR STRUGGLE AGAINST THE U.S. AGGRESSION, FOR INDEPENDENCE AND PEACE.

THE MEMBERS OF THE U.S. GROUP REPORTED ON THE ATTITUDE OF VARIOUS GROUPS IN THE UNITED STATES TO THE WAR AND DISCUSSED THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ANTIWAR MOVEMENT. SINCE THEY ARE REPRESENTATIVES OF VARIOUS VIEWS, THE AMERICANS ATTENDING THE MEETING PRESENTED AN ANALYSIS OF THE WHOLE SPECTRUM OF POLITICAL VIEWS IN THE UNITED STATES. ALL THREE GROUPS DISCUSSED THEIR VIEWS WITH REGARD TO THE PRESENT SITUATION AND THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT IN THE ANTIWAR MOVEMENT, THE PRESS RELEASE SAYS.

THE U.S. GROUP WAS ORGANIZED BY DAVE DELINGER, PUBLISHER OF LIBERATION MAGAZINE, TOM HAYDEN OF NEWARK, AND NICK EGLESON, FORMER CHAIRMAN OF THE "STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY" ORGANIZATION. ALL THREE RECENTLY VISITED THE DRV.

THE BRATISLAVA MEETING WAS ATTENDED BY 41 AMERICANS FROM VARIOUS ANTIWAR MOVEMENTS. THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY, BLACK POWER AND PACIFIST ORGANIZATIONS, RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS, AND THE PRESS.

NGUYEN MING VY, DIRECTOR OF THE FORTNIGHTLY "THONG NHAT" HEADED THE DRV GROUP. THE GROUP INCLUDED 12 REPRESENTATIVES OF SPECIAL-INTEREST AND MASS ORGANIZATIONS. THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE DELEGATION WAS HEADED BY MRS NGUYEN THI BINH, MEMBER OF THE NLFV CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE WOMEN'S FEDERATION FOR THE LIBERATION OF SOUTH VIETNAM.

THE CZECHOSLOVAK PEACE COMMITTEE PROVIDED EVERYTHING REQUIRED TO MAKE THIS MEETING POSSIBLE, THE PRESS RELEASE CONCLUDES.

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